

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS On-Road Voucher Incentive Program

Helping California's fleet owners reduce pollution

The on-road Voucher Incentive Program (VIP) provides a streamlined approach to replace older, high-polluting heavy-duty vehicles with cleaner-than-required vehicles providing early or extra emission reductions. Funds for VIP projects are used to reduce some of the costs associated with replacing a vehicle.

How much VIP funding can a truck owner receive?

For truck replacements, voucher amounts range from \$10,000 to \$410,000 and depend on factors such as the miles traveled per year, the weight class of the old vehicle, the emission standard of the replacement vehicle, and whether the replacement vehicle is new or used. Funding also depends on the future compliance date to replace or retrofit the vehicle. The fleet must currently be compliant with all applicable federal, state, and local air quality rules and regulations.

Who can take advantage of VIP?

Eligible applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- The fleet is currently compliant with all applicable federal, state, and local air quality rules and regulations;
- Fleets of ten or fewer on-road heavy-duty diesel or alternative fuel vehicles;
- Own a truck equipped with a 2009 or older model year diesel or alternative fuel engine;
- Truck must be owned and operated in California for each of the previous two years (partial registration for three to six continuous months per year may still be eligible);
- Truck must be registered with a gross vehicle weight rating greater than 14,000 pounds; and
- At least 75 percent of the miles traveled or fuel consumed over the last two years must have been in California.
- Note: Some local requirements may apply.

How is VIP funding available?

VIP is funded with Carl Moyer program funds by local air district discretion. Not all air districts implement VIP and those that do may open and close their programs at different times of the year. Contact a participating air district for more details.



Where can someone apply for VIP funding?

Contact a participating Air District or dealership to see if funding is available or if local requirements apply. Districts currently participating in VIP:

- South Coast Air Quality Management District
- Bay Area Air Quality Management District
- North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District
- San Diego County Air Pollution Control District
- Siskiyou County Air Pollution Control District
- San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District
- Butte County Air Quality Management District

Air Districts may choose to implement VIP in your local area at any time. Please check with your local air district if the program is available in your area by visiting https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/california-air-districts.

Visit https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/participating-dealerships-voucher-incentive-program for a list of some participating dealerships. Please contact your local participating Air District for more participating dealerships in your area.

For more information please email the CARB Diesel Hotline at <u>8666diesel@arb.ca.gov</u> or call 1-866-6DIESEL or 1 (866) 634-3735.

Note: Truck owners may be eligible to combine VIP funding with CARB's loan guarantee program. For more information, go to The Truckstop webpage at https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/truckstop/azregs/fa resources.html.

What replacement vehicles are eligible for VIP in 2022?

Eligible replacement vehicles may be either of the following and must be purchased by a participating dealership:

- New vehicle with a California certified engine to:
 - Zero-emission standard; or
 - Optional 0.02 g/bhp-hr NOx standard or cleaner and 0.01 g/bhp-hr PM standard
- Only available for heavy-duty trucks with a compliance status of "2022 NOx Exempt w/ PM Filter" in TRUCRS:
 - New or Used 2013 or newer engine model year vehicle with a California certified engine (0.20 g/ bhp hr NOx and 0.01 g/bhp hr PM or cleaner)



What is the process for applying for funds?

- The buyer fills out and submits a completed application and required documentation at a participating dealership. Visit https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/participating-dealerships-voucher-incentive-program for a list of dealerships.
- The dealership forwards the application to a participating air district.
- The air district evaluates and approves a completed voucher application within fifteen business days.
- Note: The owner is responsible for the cost of the vehicle minus the voucher award amount.

Are there any other participant requirements?

Yes. The participant must agree to the following terms:

- Operate the vehicle at least 75% of the time within California for three years;
- Allow the Air Resources Board to verify registration and inspect the vehicle for three years;
- Return annual usage reports as requested by the air district for three years.

What happens to the old vehicle in a replacement project?

The old vehicle is destroyed.

For more information

To learn more about the Voucher Incentive Program or to find information about participating dealerships, visit CARB's <u>On-Road Heavy-Duty Voucher Incentive Program webpage</u> at: https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/our-work/programs/road-heavy-duty-voucher-incentive-program.

For more information on other incentive and loan programs for on-road vehicles, visit https://ww2.arb.ca.gov/sites/default/files/truckstop/azregs/fa resources.html or contact the Air Resources Board at 1-866-6DIESEL (1-866-634-3735).

You may obtain this document in an alternative format or language by contacting CARB at: (916) 322-4205 (voice); (916) 324-9531 (TDD, Sacramento area only); or (800) 700-8326 (TDD, outside Sacramento). TTY/TDD/Speech-to-Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.